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REVIEW OF THE EFFICIENCY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL FUNCTIONING OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Exchange of letters between the Acting President of the General Assembly and the Chairman of the Fifth Committee

A. Letter dated 2 March 1998 from the Acting President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee

As you are aware, on 19 December 1997, the General Assembly adopted resolution 52/12 B, entitled "Renewing the United Nations: a programme for reform". In paragraph 23 of that resolution, the Assembly noted that the Secretary-General had submitted the draft Code of Conduct for United Nations Staff to the Assembly, and agreed to expedite its consideration. The proposed United Nations Code of Conduct is contained in a report of the Secretary-General to the Assembly at its fifty-second session, under agenda item 114 (A/52/488).

I would greatly appreciate it if the Fifth Committee would consider the above-mentioned report as soon as possible.

(Signed) Khiphusizi J. JELE
Acting President

B. Letter dated 5 March 1998 from the Chairman of the Fifth Committee addressed to the Acting President of the General Assembly

I wish to refer to your letter dated 2 March 1998, whereby you requested that the Fifth Committee consider the report of the Secretary-General on the proposed United Nations Code of Conduct (A/52/488) under agenda item 114.

In that connection, the Bureau of the Fifth Committee met this morning and felt that the report should be considered under agenda items 157, entitled "Renewing the United Nations: a programme for reform", and 114, entitled "Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations", since the General Assembly, in paragraph 23 of its resolution 52/12 B, had initiated action on it.

(Signed) Anwarul Karim CHOWDHURY
Chairman, Fifth Committee